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Govil et al.

Application No.: 08/883,075

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For: ADHESIVE MIXTURE FOR TRANSDERMAL
DELIVERY OF HIGHLY PLASTICIZING
DRUGS

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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the official action dated October 26, 2004, the following remarks are respectfully submitted

REMARKS

Throughout the rather complex seven-year prosecution of this application, applicants have continuously stressed the fact that claims 84 and 86-92 are particularly addressed to a transdermal delivery system which incorporates a highly plasticizing drug, which is defined in these claims as a drug which is of low molecular weight and liquid at or about room temperatures. The present invention provides for transdermal systems which can effectively handle such drugs under commercial conditions, whereas the prior art found it difficult or impossible to do so. The latest newly cited references again utterly fail to even be directed to such an invention, and